PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Present Application:

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Title : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PLANARIZING A MICROELECTRONIC

SUBSTRATE WITH A TILTED PLANARIZING SURFACE

Prior Application:

Examiner: Willie Berry, Jr.

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Serial No. : 09/388,828

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification:

Amend the specification by inserting a new section before the "Technical Field" as follows:

-- CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATION

This application is a divisional of pending United States Patent Application No. 09/388,828, filed September 1, 1999. --

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-73.

Respectfully submitted,

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